

Privacy Steering Team Meeting Summary

Date: Tuesday, August 2, 2011 Time: 10:00 – 3:00 pm

Location: In Person – San Francisco Contact: Tracy Meeker tmeeker@ohi.ca.gov

Security Steering Team Update

- John McCann provided an update of the Security Steering Team's current activities regarding the reference implementations for Mobile Device Controls, Single Entity Authentication, Consistent Time, Audit Controls, Email and Messaging Security, Encryption and Cryptographic Controls, and Identity Management.
- John also provided an update on the status of CalOHII's HIPAA Security Compliance Tool that is being designed for small/medium organizations to assist with compliance via automation, where possible.

CalOHII Announcements

- Alex Kam, Acting Director at CalOHII, provided guidance to the Privacy Steering Team, given the elimination of CalPSAB. He also provided a letter from Dr. Linette Scott, the HIT Coordinator, Interim Deputy Secretary for HIT, California Health and Human Services Agency.
- Alex Kam also suggested the need for the Privacy Steering Team to enlist stakeholder engagement to
 ensure the top priorities of statewide stakeholders are identified and prioritized. Alex noted that he was
 aware that the Privacy Steering Team had a list already generated and validated by the larger Privacy
 Advisory team earlier in 2010. However, all agreed that it was time to revisit the prioritization in light of the
 new pilot projects and other HITECH related efforts.

Health Information Exchanges in California

Laura Landry, Executive Director at Western Health Information Network, provided a presentation regarding Clarity, Courage, and Action in health information exchanges. The presentation can be found at: http://www.ohi.ca.gov/calohi/eHealthPolicy/Calendar/tabid/170/ModuleID/708/ItemID/241/mctl/EventDetails/Default.aspx.

National and Local Updates

- HITRUST –Leo Dittemore reported that HITRUST is still waiting for the ONC approval of HITRUST's
 automated risk assessment process. Once the approval is granted, Leo will present the process to the
 Privacy Committee. Currently 33 states are accepting the HITRUST certification for HIEs.
- Jana Aagaard reported about an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding Human Subjects
 Research Protections, http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-07-26/pdf/2011-18792.pdf, published in the
 Federal Register on July 26, 2011. She encouraged submission of public comments by any of the
 organizations represented on the Privacy Steering Team.

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Task Group Updates

Patient Consent and Informing Task Group:

- Deborah Yano-Fong provided an update on the Patient Consent and Informing task group's work regarding the development of the white paper which would provide guidance on this topic. Deborah presented a document the task group has recently created, identifying the need for two separate papers due to distinctly different audiences. One paper will focus on the Demonstration Project Participant organizations and the other will focus on the general citizens of California. The Privacy Steering Team agreed with this approach and asked that the task group continue its work as outlined.
- Tracy Meeker presented the Demonstration Project Metrics document that the Patient Consent and Informing Task Group created. The Privacy Steering Team reviewed the document and agreed that it should be used in the discussion with the independent evaluator organization to ensure that meaningful metrics are captured for each of the Demonstration Projects.

Secondary Use and Disclosure Task Group:

• Jana Aagaard and Dave Nelson, task group co-chairs, provided an update on the Secondary Use and Disclosure task group's recent activities regarding disease registries. Jana presented the "Disease Registry Definition and Categories" document that the task group has created. The Privacy Steering Team asked that the task group create a recommendation(s) establishing baseline rules regarding the electronic exchange of health information to disease registries for Health Information Organizations.

Best Practices Work Group:

• Suzanne Giorgi provided an update on the Best Practice work group's efforts from its initial three weekly meetings. Harmonization of HIPAA with several state laws has produced a working definition of "individual health information."

State Approach to Law Harmonization:

 The Privacy Steering Team inquired of the Best Practices Work Group about California taking the state of Kansas approach to harmonizing state law with HIPAA, and the need for legislative involvement. The approach of having HIPAA as the base rather than the CMIA was briefly discussed. This item will be tabled for a future agenda for further discussion and evaluation

Patient and Provider Education Webpages

 Staci Gillespie provided information regarding the development of patient and provider educational webpages that will be located on the CalOHII website.

Wrap up

- The Privacy Steering Team will meet in person for an all-day meeting on October 11, in a working meeting format to address several topics.
- Both demonstration projects have been asked to present status and priorities which they would like the

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Privacy Steering Team to address as part of the revalidation of the previously identified priorities list.

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